

## ASSESS YOUR BUSINESS RISK. WILL THE SHIELD PROTECT YOU?

Covid-19, despite the many setbacks to global business, may present a chance to find new fields of development. Kochański & Partners have appointed a special expert team offering **essential complex legal and business assistance** 24/7.

#### **KOCHAŃSKI & PARTNERS OFFER**

- Covid-19 regulations legal risk analysis and assessment
- Project Management
- New Chance Policy
- Contracts (client liabilities in the context of market developments resulting from Covid-19):
  - contract analysis (force majeure, extraordinary change in relations, non-performance or improper performance of obligations)
  - contract renegotiation.

#### SUPPORT AREAS

- 1. Labour law
  - employment advisory support and subsidy schemes, employment optimization
- 2. Restructuring and insolvency
- 3. Tax law
  - tax efficiency
- 4. Banking law
- 5. Real estate

## **DETAILED SCOPE OF OUR SERVICES**

## LABOUR LAW

#### LEGAL AND BUSINESS SUPPORT:

- implementation of Anti-Crisis Shield solutions / New Chance Policy
- identification of key employment areas requiring support and optimization.
- optimization of employment structures analysing employment, civil law and managerial contracts,
- remuneration policy (including bonuses / benefits), making working time more flexible negotiation of "crisis arrangements" with employee representatives
- obtaining public funding (e.g. FGŚP, FP):
  - review of available public and European funds
    - o selection of an optimal source of employee subsidies (FGŚP or FP)
    - o verification of eligibility for funding and verification of funding amounts
    - o drafting of applications and preparation of application instructions

# **2** RESTRUCTURING AND INSOLVENCY

#### LEGAL AND BUSINESS SUPPORT:

- solvency test (identification and elimination of "toxic" contracts)
- management liability analysis (including "bankruptcy holidays")
- advice on choosing and financing an optimal restructuring procedure (corporate financing, state aid, investor acquisition)
- preparation of petitions for restructuring or bankruptcy
- securing of client interests in bankruptcy and restructuring proceedings (including protection against hostile takeovers)

#### PRE-COURT RESTRUCTURING/RECOVERY PLANS

#### Legal and financial audits:

- analysis of business models, organizational structure and culture, and control system
- identification and verification of:
  - o contractual rights and obligations (contract renegotiations and amendments)
  - o Anti-Crisis Shield/New Chance Policy exemptions/reliefs
  - o issues in dispute (court and enforcement proceedings)
  - o contractual collaterals
  - o asset value (including asset valuation)
  - o planned revenue
  - o tax liabilities
  - o financial flows
  - o fixed costs

#### **Recovery plan**

- preparation of a recovery plan based on audit findings
- presentation of audit findings and recovery plan recommendations
- preparation of final recovery plan



#### LEGAL AND BUSINESS SUPPORT:

- problem solving related to tax debt payment
- facilitating and speeding VAT refunds (including VAT in split payment accounts)
- obtaining and valuation of state aid (cumulation of state aid):
  - Anti-Crisis Shield/New Chance Policy
  - Polish Economic Zones
- support in settling tax reliefs (non-comprehensive implementation):
  - o IP Box relief
  - R&D relief
- preparation of applications regarding tax liabilities for:
  - o remission
  - o deferral
  - payment in instalments
  - o temporary suspension of the obligation to pay tax advances



#### **LEGAL AND BUSINESS SUPPORT:**

- comprehensive legal assistance at the stage of applying for financing:
  - o participation in negotiations
  - o preparation of all transaction documents
  - security arrangements
- legal support with regard to existing financing:
  - o financial audits
  - review of agreements (credit, loan, lease agreements, etc.) and verification of financial standing
  - o liaising with financial institutions/business partners and renegotiation of agreements
  - o review and amendment of financial documents (agreements, amending annexes)
  - establishing of additional security interests/modification of existing security
- legal support regarding loan agreements subject to the Consumer Credit Act of 12 May 2011

## 5 REAL ESTATE

#### LEASE CONTRACTS IN RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS WITH SALES AREA OF <2000 M<sup>2</sup>

- analysis of lease and service contracts in terms of:
  - o force majeure
  - eligibility for reductions in rent/other charges
  - o analysis of credit contracts for risk in case of delay in rent payment
  - resolving disputes amicably
- preparation of trial strategy in case of disputes

#### LEASE CONTRACTS IN SHOPPING MALLS WITH SALES AREA OF >2000 M<sup>2</sup>

Analysis of rights and obligations of contracting parties:

- Do lease contracts in retail establishments cease during the epidemic?
- Identifying responsible parties for items left in the lease object
- What about the landlord's obligations to the tenant and third parties?
- May the landlord request the delivery of the premises?
- Offers to extend the contract under the same terms and conditions:
  - o effect of the tenant's failure to make the offer
  - o effect of the landlord's failure to reply to or rejection of the offer

#### **REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS:**

- support in the sale/acquisition of real estate, in particular commercial real estate (in the form of an asset deal /share deal), including support in:
  - transaction structuring
  - o due diligence (i.e. legal due diligence of the transaction object)
  - preparation of legal/transaction documentation
- support in organizing and completing sale and lease back transactions
- identification of professional investors engaged in sale and lease back transactions
- analysis of concluded preliminary contracts in terms of:
  - o renunciation
  - o renegotiation, including price adjustments

## **OUR TEAM**



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